

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application. An identifier indicating the status of each claim is provided.

### **Listing of Claims**

1. (Previously Presented) An imaging device configured to output imaging data that is obtained by imaging of an object, the imaging device comprising:

imaging means for imaging data;

communication means for communicating the imaging data;

control means for recognizing a controlled state of an external recording device when a communication is enabled with the recording device through the communication means conforming to a predetermined transmission method; and

input means operable to instruct the recording device to execute an application needed for a recording operation obtained by controlling the recording device,

wherein, when the application is executed as a function of a command issued by the imaging device, only a command for a termination of the application is allowed and every other command is disabled, and

wherein the recording device records the imaging data that has been obtained through the communication means based on the application executed by means of the input means.

2. (Original) The imaging device according to claim 1, further comprising display means for displaying the progress of an application needed for a recording operation obtained by controlling the recording device.

3. (Previously Presented) The imaging device according to claim 1,  
wherein, when communications are enabled with a plurality of the recording devices through the communication means connected respectively to the recording devices, the control means selects a specific recording device as a communication target on the basis of unique node IDs assigned respectively to the communication means, and refuses to communicate with the other recording devices.

4. (Previously Presented) A recording control system in which an imaging device configured to output imaging data that is obtained by imaging of an object can communicate with a recording device through communication means conforming to a predetermined transmission method,

wherein the imaging device comprises:

imaging means for imaging data;

a communication means for communicating the imaging data;

first control means for recognizing a controlled state of the recording device; and

input means operable to instruct the recording device to execute an application needed for a recording operation obtained by controlling the recording device,

wherein, when the application is executed as a function of a command issued by the imaging device, only a command for a termination of the application is allowed and every other command is disabled, and

wherein the recording device comprises:

second control means for recognizing a controlled state of the imaging device; and

recording means for recording the imaging data obtained from the imaging device through the communication means based on the application executed by means of the input means under control of the recording device.

5. (Original) The recording control system according to claim 4,

wherein the imaging device comprises display means for displaying the progress of an application needed for a recording operation obtained by controlling the recording device.

6. (Previously Presented) The recording control system according to claim 4,

wherein, when communications are enabled with a plurality of the recording devices through the communication means connected respectively to the recording devices, the first control means of the imaging device selects a specific recording device as a communication target on the basis of unique node IDs assigned respectively to the communication means, and refuses to communicate with the other recording devices.

7. (Previously Presented) The recording control system according to claim 4,

wherein, when communications are enabled with a plurality of the imaging devices through the communication means connected respectively to the imaging devices, the second control means of the recording device selects a specific imaging device as a communication target on the basis of unique node IDs assigned respectively to the communication means, and refuses to communicate with the other imaging devices.

8. (Previously Presented) An imaging method for outputting imaging data that is obtained by imaging of an object, the method comprising:

an imaging step of imaging data;

a control step of recognizing a controlled state of an external recording device when a communication is enabled with the recording device through communication means conforming to a predetermined transmission method; and

an input step for instructing the recording device to execute an application needed for a recording operation obtained by controlling the recording device,

wherein, when the application is executed as a function of a command issued by the imaging device, only a command for a termination of the application is allowed and every other command is disabled, and

wherein the recording device records the imaging data that has been obtained through the communication means based on the application executed in the input step.

9. (Previously Presented) The imaging device according to claim 1,

wherein the communication means is connected outside of the imaging device.

10. (Previously Presented) The recording control system according to claim 4,  
wherein the communication means is connected outside of the imaging device.

11. (Previously Presented) The imaging method according to claim 8,  
wherein the communication step is performed outside of the imaging device.